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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ANDREW CLARKE and TAPAS SARKAR, individually and on behalf of other similarly situated persons,

Plaintiffs,

v.

J.P. MORGAN CHASE & CO.,

Defendant.

08 Civ. 2400 (CM) (JCF)

DECLARATION OF ADAM T. KELIN IN SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR CONSOLIDATION AND APPOINTMENT OF OUTTEN & GOLDEN, LIEFF CABRASER, AND ALTSHULER BERZON AS CO-LEAD INTERIM CLASS COUNSEL PURSUANT TO FEDERAL RULES **OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 23(G)** AND 42(A)

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I, Adam T. Klein declare as follows:

I am a partner at OUTTEN & GOLDEN, LLP, counsel for the plaintiffs in the above-

captioned case. I make this statement of my own personal knowledge, and if called to testify,

could and would testify competently thereto.

2. On April 28, 2008, to ensure the orderly and efficient prosecution of two similar lawsuits

- the above-captioned lawsuit and that of Fezza, et al. v. JP Morgan Chase & Co. and JP

Morgan Chase Bank, N.A., 08-cv-03004 CM-THK (S.D.N.Y.) ("Fezza") – I contacted Seth

Lesser, plaintiffs' counsel in Fezza, to discuss a leadership and management structure for these

Chase overtime litigations. I sought an agreement from the Fezza counsel that (1) the Fezza and

Clarke actions be consolidated; (2) proposed Interim Class Counsel (Plaintiffs' counsel in the

above-captioned case) would be lead counsel for the consolidated action based on their greater

experience with this type of litigation, and because they represent the first-filed plaintiffs; and (3)

Fezza counsel limit their representation to the named plaintiffs in the Fezza action. The Fezza

counsel refused.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States that the forgoing is

true and correct.

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Dated: New York, New York

April 29, 2008

By: \_\_\_\_/s/ Adam T. Klein (AK 3293) \_\_\_ Adam T. Klein

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